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	B1	WO 00/44918	WO	08/03/2000	Plant Bioscience Limited
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**OTHER PRIOR ART - NON-PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER'S INITIALS	CITE NO.	Include name of the author (in Capital Letters), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item(book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published
	C1	CLARKE, J.H. "Mapping <i>FRI</i> , a locus controlling flowering time and vernalization response in <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> "; Mol. Gen. Genet., 242: 81-89 (1994)

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Respectfully submitted,

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